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Intituled,

An Act to revive and amend an Act made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of King George *the First, intituled,* An Act for the better viewing, ſearching, and examining all Drugs, Medicines, Waters, Oils, Compoſitions, uſed or to be uſed for Medicines, in all Places where the ſame ſhall be expoſed to Sale, or kept for that Purpoſe, within the City of *London* and Suburbs thereof, or within Seven Miles Circuit of the ſaid City.

Whereas an Act was made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty King *George* the Firſt, (intituled, *An Act for the better viewing, ſearching, and examining all Drugs, Medicines, Waters, Oils, Compoſitions, uſed or to be uſed for Medicines, in all Places where the ſame ſhall be expoſed to Sale, or kept for that Purpoſe, within the City of* London *and Suburbs thereof, or within Seven Miles Circuit of the ſaid City)* which Act was to continue in Force for the Term of Three Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament, and no longer: And whereas the ſaid Act was, by another

other Act made in the Thirteenth Year of His ſaid late Majeſty's Reign (intituled, *An Act for continuing the Laws therein mentioned relating to Copper Bars exported; and for better preventing Frauds committed by Bankrupts; and for ſearching Drugs and Compoſitions for Medicines)* continued from the Expiration thereof, for and during the Space of Three Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament, and is ſince expired; and foraſmuch as the Want of a proper Inſpection and Examination of Medicines may be of pernicious Conſequence, **therefore be it enacted** by the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That from and after the Twenty fourth Day of *June*, One thouſand ſeven hundred and forty eight, the ſaid Act made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His ſaid late Majeſty, ſhall be, and is hereby revived, and ſhall thenceforth continue in Force for ever.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Preſident and College, or Commonalty of the Faculty of Phyſick in *London*, ſhall have Power annually to elect Sixteen Perſons in Addition to the Four Cenſors in the ſaid Act mentioned, who, after taking an Oath before the ſaid Preſident of the ſaid College, that they will impartially and honeſtly diſcharge the Truſt repoſed in them by virtue of this Act, according to the beſt of their Skill and Knowledge, ſhall, or any Three of them, have Power to make the Viſitation in the ſaid Act mentioned, and have ſuch and the like Powers and Authorities, as in and by the ſaid Act are given to the ſaid Four Cenſors, or any Three of them; ſubject nevertheleſs to ſuch Appeal as by the ſaid Act is given or directed, from the Cenſure, Judgement, or Condemnation of the ſaid Cenſors.

Provided always, and be it enacted and declared by the Authority aforeſaid, That nothing in the ſaid former or this Act, nor any Thing therein contained, ſhall extend, or be conſtrued to extend, to give any Power to any Perſon or Perſons whatſoever, to ſearch or inſpect any of the Medicines, prepared or hereafter to be prepared by *Joſhua Ward* Eſquire, or any Drugs by him kept to be made Uſe of for that Purpoſe.

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